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REC delayed; architects to revise plans



Don Goodhue and Ron Jerit
... Rec Center planners

By Ken Leiser

The second phase in the planning of the Recreation and Events Center was delayed because of discrepancies concerning how much space should be allotted for entertainment.

As a result, the Student Union board of directors took no action on preliminary plans for the REC submitted to the board last Tuesday.

Representatives from the architectural team, Ron Jerit and Don Goodhue, made a presentation to the board.

"We tried to capture the spirit of the thing with the highest priority being the management of space," Jerit said.

The architects based their report on recommendations made earlier this fall when they met with various campus groups.

Jerit said there was a great emphasis put on enter-

tainment. He was given a tour of the campus to look at existing entertainment facilities.

"There is nowhere on campus to host a name entertainer," he said. "You just can't be a good host here."

He added that the architectural team had not turned its back on recreation.

The space allotted for recreation makes up 27,660 square feet of the total 142,000 square feet for the REC.

However, recreation was a major topic for conversation.

"I'm distressed by the lack of space allotted to recreation," said Robert Martin, dean of student services.

The recreational facility may be built on a portion of the area where the Women's Gym now stands on Seventh Street, said Ron Barrett, Student Union director.

"The architects speculate that the renovation of that space would cost as much as building a recreation facility," Barrett said. "That space has been con-

demned."

Barrett said he hopes to see the board resolve its problems by the next meeting on Dec. 6.

At that time the board will act on such matters as the seating capacity of the Events Center, floor-space allotment to the facility and a master plan for an Aquatic complex.

The seating capacity for the Rec Center has tentatively been set at 7,700 seats, according to a preliminary listing of spaces.

Barrett said the architects will take the board's recommendations and submit a revised plan back to the board. Upon approval of that plan, they will begin to design.

"What the architects will do is come back to the board over a period of time," Barrett said. "This was just an informational meeting."

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Cagin' a Cajun



Liza Murphy

Spartan Dave Albright (56) trips up Ragin' Cajun quarterback Donnie Schnexnider.

SJSU lost 25-21 to the University of Southwestern Louisiana Saturday, ending the

season 3-3 in conference play and 5-6 overall. For story and photos see page 3.

Low pay scale hurts faculty, McCarthy says

By Jeff Barbosa and Jennifer Koss

California Lt. Gov. Leo McCarthy visited SJSU yesterday to speak with student leaders, the campus media and university officials on some of the key higher education issues.

McCarthy plans to visit each of the 19 universities in the California State University system to get a better perspective on the problems they are facing.

He told the campus media he was concerned about a lack of adequate pay for CSU faculty members.

"There is a fairly worrisome faculty turnover in both systems (UC and CSU) competing with other campuses and while that is most acute in engineering and computer science departments, it is not limited to those departments," McCarthy said.

The universities cannot compete, McCarthy said, with the salaries private industry is giving to people in the "hot" fields such as computer science and engineering.

"I do believe for the good of the system, for the educational process, that we need to do much better in competition with other campuses in how we compensate faculty members," he said.

There is a gigantic lag, McCarthy believes, between what California pays some of its faculty members and the salaries given by other states.

McCarthy said faculty in schools with declining enrollments should not be sacrificed for those with expanding enrollments.

He said he was not sure if CSU Chancellor W. Ann Reynolds' proposal to lower fees \$90 would be passed by the legislature. He was quick to point out that although California may have a budget surplus next fiscal year, the money could vanish quickly.

"The economic recovery is suggesting we could have continued on back page

Community college deficits take their toll on students, staff

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two-year colleges in California's most affluent communities are cutting classes, dropping teachers and even shutting off the heat to deal with sharp budget cuts.

Community colleges in the wealthy "Silicon Valley" area of central California are beginning to feel the pinch their southern neighbors already experienced.

A standoff between state legislators and Gov. George Deukmejian has frozen community college funds. The Los Angeles Times reported on the effects of that freeze in Friday's editions.

At Santa Rosa Junior College, hundreds of students were turned away from data processing and electronics courses this semester because there was not enough money to hire part-time instructors for extra classes.

The college trustees were able to balance the 1983-84 operating budget of about \$25 million only by spending \$1.5 million from a \$7.5-million reserve fund that was earmarked for new buildings.

There was no faculty or staff pay raise for the first time in more than 25 years, the newspaper said.

New facilities and educational programs, especially in technological fields, have been abandoned or postponed — hurting the Santa Rosa area, which is home to many electronics companies.

Hewlett-Packard Co., which has one plant in Santa Rosa and is building a second in nearby Rohnert Park, would hire many more electronics technicians than the college can graduate, according to President Roy G. Mikalson, but there is no money to expand the program.

"This is a growing area, especially in electronics," Mikalson said. "Cutting back is a senseless economy but we've had to do it."

The San Mateo Community College District, which includes three campuses in the affluent suburbs along the peninsula south of San Francisco, has laid off faculty and staff members and eliminated some courses. Aeronautics and welding have been trimmed back at the College of San Mateo, oldest and largest of the three campuses, and that college also lost its men's basketball team.

Drama and men's tennis were eliminated at Skyline College in San Bruno.

Nursing was slashed from 60 to 36 entering students per year at the College of San Mateo.

San Mateo faculty members arrived for a recent meeting with a visitor wearing heavy sweaters and jackets. Although a cold rain had fallen the night before, college officials had not yet turned on the heat in an effort to cut energy costs.

Reagan honors nation's disabled

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan on Monday proclaimed the next 10 years the National Decade of Disabled Persons while criticizing federal programs for the handicapped that he said too often foster "unjust, unwanted and nonproductive" dependence.

"Paternalism is the wrong answer," Reagan told a group of more than 200 handicapped people invited to the signing ceremony in the East Room of the White House. "The disabled want what all of us want: the opportunity to contribute to our communities, to use our creativity and to go as far as our God-given talents will take us."

Reagan said voluntary efforts by the private sector help. "But too often, federal programs discourage full participation by society. Outmoded attitudes and practices that foster dependence are still with us. They are unjust, unwanted and nonproductive."

"Our own efforts in the White House," Reagan said, "have helped generate a number of private projects involving transportation, elementary school tutoring, eye diagnosis and surgery."

He noted the courage of those present at the ceremony, citing his own press secretary, James S. Brady, who was wounded in the March 30, 1981, shooting of Reagan.

Actor follows in father's footsteps

By Warren Bates

If there has been one trademark of actor Noel Harrison's career, it has been his unpredictability.

Harrison, son of Broadway performer Rex Harrison, has done everything from touring with stage productions in the United States, England and Canada to working as a wine salesman to supermarkets. He has also built a log cabin in Nova Scotia.

Harrison, who is currently appearing in the San Jose Civic Light Opera's production of "My Fair Lady," visited the SJSU Theatre Arts department last Tuesday to discuss his career and promote his performance.

His role in "My Fair Lady" is a re-creation of his father's portrayal of Professor Henry Higgins in the original Broadway play which appeared in the late '50s.

"My father tried to stop me from getting into acting," he said. "He took me for a long walk when I was about 12 and explained all the insecurities of the profession and how I should do something sensible to support him in his old age. And at the end, we got in his Cadillac and drove back home to Bel Air."

Disregarding his father's warnings, Harrison received his first job in the theater working as a stage manager in the early '50s. He said he hated it at the time and that all the actors were "phony and boring."

He then went into music, eventually returning to theater at Ipswich Arts Repertory in England.



Noel Harrison

... disregarded father's advice

"If you grow up with parents in the arts and see what kind of lives they lead, anything more regimented becomes unattractive," he said. "There is a great deal of anxiety and a lot of it is seeing how long you can get by before you get your next job."

"A few years back, when the recession came along, everybody was telling me how bad it was but it didn't

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Place your bets . . . carefully

Gambling is thought by many to be a shortcut to riches which would take a lifetime, if ever, to accumulate.

And it is also thought, to use an old adage, that there's a sucker born every minute.



Karen Woods
Staff Writer

By the time one gets around to winning that elusive pot of gold, a person will have spent a million in pursuit of it, the money probably scattered at various poker games and roulette wheels.

Being a gambler myself, however, I'm one of those undoubtedly spending their first million while hoping for reimbursement somewhere, sometime down the line.

I'd like to think it will be sooner rather than later - if at all. The only games of blind chance I play are bingo and slot machines. From the latter I figure I put as much back as those one-arm bandits spit out. From bingo the most I've gotten is a stuffed green dinosaur. (I could have had a few pounds of ham instead, but I wanted something permanent and non-edible.)

I try to increase my chances of winning by playing a game that requires some skill - handicapping the horse races.

Upon entering a racetrack or even before, a bettor is assaulted with information - handicapping pages of the newspapers, tip sheets, Daily Racing Forms and racing digests. Information is available on how many races a horse has run in, how far the races have been, the time they were run, whether the horse has won or lost - much more than can be had, say, on the tendencies of a ball to drop in certain slots of a roulette wheel.

But despite all the knowledge one can acquire about a given horse, Lady Luck still plays a crucial hand. An otherwise "sure thing" could be feeling tired or ill, not to mention his jockey; a trainer might have chosen the

race unwisely, putting the creature with other animals far above his class. Plus there are all the things that could go wrong within the race itself; a horse could stumble coming out of the starting gate or be bumped off stride at any point during a race; a jockey could have trouble controlling an unruly mount or worst of all possibilities, a horse and its rider could have an accident and be taken out of the race entirely.

In short, as another old saying goes, there is over a hundred ways to lose a race, and only one way to win one.

Aside from all the ways a given horse can lose, just the way a bettor chooses to lay down his or her money can be defeating.

If a horse is bet to win, the bettor can't collect money if the animal comes in second by a nose. And the same is true of a horse bet to finish second and who just barely makes third.

If the simplest of bets are difficult to win, then even more so for the exotic bets. An example of one would be an exacta, a type of bet in which two particular horses are picked to finish first and second in exact order. If a bettor hits one of these, however, the payoff can be considerably higher than the more traditional win, place, and show bets.

The type of bet most likely to get the attention of bettors and the media is the Pick Six, a type of bet which requires the bettor to pick six winners of six consecutive races in one day. Playing this one is almost like entering a lottery. But the prize money is lottery size, too - or can be.

A couple of Saturdays ago at the Bay Meadows race-track in San Mateo, the betting pool did reach lottery size - \$1.44 million. Of the more than 22,000 that came to grab a piece of that pie, 19 picked the prerequisite six winners and won over \$75,000 apiece. I was among the 22,000, but unfortunately not among the 19 - though not for the lack of trying.

Rain had poured on the track earlier in the day, and a large rainbow arched over the track, one end touching down in the infield. There was a pot of gold out there to be found, but not by me - at least not that day.

There's a sucker born every minute. And a lot of us stay that way.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Students failed to separate Grenada facts and propaganda

Editor:

Sometimes students in search of truth tend to ignore, and sometimes distort, actions taken by the United States if these actions conflict with their preconceived idea of how governments should deal with one another.

I found this to be the case of Kathy Cordova and friends' letter in the Nov. 21 issue of the Daily where they supported the ideals of the New Jewel Movement in Grenada and the condemnation of U.S. intervention.

There was a basic misconception in their letter that was just as wrong as the flood of propaganda printed by the U.S. press.

Prime Minister Bishop had been murdered after a weekend of demonstrations by his supporters.

The individuals who seized power and had him executed also imposed a "shoot-on-site" curfew to restrict any type of democratic action by the people to determine what type of government might suit their way of life.

These two basic events were reported by international news agencies as well as our own press.

These two actions destroyed any form of government that was freely elected by the people of Grenada.

As a Vietnam veteran, I am opposed to the illegal use of troops such as the action in Grenada which violated international law. However, just as the CIA was wrong in toppling the government of Chile years back which was duly elected government of Grenada and openly suppressed the wishes of the people.

When we talk of separating facts and propaganda this action is like a two-edged sword.

In this case I think Cordova and friends misrepresented to the reading public the past events of Grenada. It was thugs who removed the leader of the New Jewel Movement and their government; thugs who were not the least concerned about the wishes of the people of Grenada.

Todd A. Chambers
Nursing
senior

The time has come for Africans to collect long-overdue gains

Editor:

It is sad that a person can be a junior at a university and still not understand what life is about. Obviously, Scott Benedict has a way to go. His Nov. 9 letter is a gross misunderstanding of life.

First off, Benedict, we know that "His-story" is

confusing, but you should learn the other side, "Our-story."

We feel brother Kwame Toure - no longer Stokely Carmichael to those who respect others - presented an impartial analysis of the struggle of human society in general and African society in particular.

Look at the many derogatory names placed on Africans in America (including black). When we choose one such as African, that has a long and respected history, do you think we must get the approval of a racist society?

The American capitalist system has viciously attacked our priorities. Where do the billions of dollars worth of consumer garbage (not just big stereos), and the incarceration to sports and entertainment come from? These priorities are forced on us at a very young age by this degenerated, racist society.

We do not claim to be better or worse than any other group of people, only equal. But history shows that in order to express this equality, we will have to fight. And we will continue the fight, a most violent one against this education which no more helps clarify our priorities than the previous slave master did.

Our priorities are becoming clear and at the top of the list is self-determination. Our shining examples are always destroyed by the most violent country on the earth, the United States.

For the conscious African students, Grenada was an example of positive priorities where the people were building self-reliance. Because they choose socialism and the population was 90 percent African, the "great white father," the United States, felt threatened. Look at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., he helped us set priorities that would remove Africans from the tutelage of a "white society."

Again, a violent response.

History is full of these kinds of responses to our progress. Don't be alarmed that we are tired of it.

This generation of Africans is moving to consolidate the gains of previous generations. We have our problems, of which setting priorities is one. But we know the source of the confusion and will overcome it by any means necessary. Forward ever, backward never.

Akubundu Amazu
Industrial Technology
senior

Students, professors disagree on the U.S./Grenada issue

Editor:

Robin Brooks' letter confirms the thesis of our letter of Nov. 8: There are real differences of opinion within the university community over the liberation of Grenada.

Brooks claims that the American liberation of Gre-

nada is analogous to the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

However, among many others, there is this great difference: The Soviet action was for the sake of tyranny, Brooks' abstraction from the difference between freedom and tyranny is shocking to our moral sentiments.

William Borges
John Wettergreen
Political Science
professors

Don't knock a nuclear freeze until we've tried it

Editor:

It was nice to see an article on the freeze debate in the Nov. 10 issue of the Daily. It's too bad that the con argument was so misinformed. Here are a few facts:

✓ Both sides would have to abide by the freeze. With our current satellite systems we could watch each other and would know exactly what was being done. Hiding nuclear weapons is not a threat because it currently is not possible. A freeze would also include on-spot inspections, which have already been OK'd by both sides;

✓ A freeze does address the launch-on-warning system. If a freeze is established before the deployment of the Euromissiles, a launch-on-warning will not be initiated. If it is initiated, you can kiss your ass goodbye;

✓ Holm stated, "We are kidding ourselves if we assume for a moment that the Soviet government has given up its orthodoxy of undermining systems not subservient to its own." Nice try, Holm! Who made you an authority on the Soviet Union? We won't know the outcome of a freeze until we try one. It couldn't be worse than our current system of living under the constant threat of nuclear war;

✓ My favorite argument is the SS-20s vs. our Euromissiles. It would be funnier if you knew what you were talking about. SS-20s are not first-strike weapons. They cannot reach outside of Western Europe. They are detectable. Euromissiles are first-strike weapons. They are directly aimed at the Soviet Union. They are the first weapons series that will be undetectable;

✓ You mentioned our withdrawal of 1,000 weapons. You forgot about the deployment of our new super system. Come on Holm, let's tell the folks the whole story. Come December, we'll deploy 464 Cruise missiles and 108 Pershing II missiles. Not to mention the MX and the Trident II missiles. Once these have been deployed, the Soviets go launch-on-warning. Do you know what this means?

I am not trying to side with the Soviet Union. Instead, I want to show people what we are really talking about.

Since we haven't tried it, we really shouldn't condemn it. The only thing it would do is let us live.

Stefanie C. Krieger
Philosophy
freshman

Women's Center - is it selective?

Editor:

On Wednesday Nov. 16, AIESEC held a meeting where you could find out "How To Get Abroad."

Is the Women's Center just shirking its duties or is it selective in its protests against such callous, manipulative, chauvinistic injustices?

Wayland Lim
Marketing
senior

Vance Dunton
Chemistry
senior



From Where
I Sit
Diane Murphy

Reach out and choke someone

A lot of people can't stand talking into telephones. They like answering machines even less.

Imagine their dismay at calling me and hearing "Hello, you've reached the Murphy residence. This is Diane. Neither John nor I can come to the phone right now, but if you leave your name and number, at the sound of the beep, we'll be happy to get back to you. Thanks for calling . . . beep!"

Not only do I ask them to talk into a telephone, but also into an answering machine, and on top of that, I bore them beforehand.

But what's the difference? People hate talking into those little contraptions regardless of the message. A telephone is sterile enough. Add a tape recorder and it's downright institutional - shades of Watergate and being bugged.

Despite having an answering machine, I hate having to talk into one. It is too irrevocable. Once you've said whatever it is you were going to say, you can't undo it. If you make a fool of yourself in your allotted 30 seconds, the best you can do is call back and claim that someone has been impersonating your voice on answering machines.

Not only that, but people who have answering devices probably listen as you leave the message . . . "It's Bubba, heck, I don't want to talk to him!" (I never do this, of course.)

I also think many answering machine people don't even have an answering machine. If the phone rings and they aren't up to a conversation with Aunt Ethel, they whine like an operator and recite a message they have taped to the wall above the telephone - known as the "pseudo answering machine play."

I predict that soon the answering machine will be built into the phone. Why not? Phones look like and do just about everything else. There is call waiting, call forwarding, automatic dialing, phone washing machine, phone . . . uh, wait a minute. That must be next year's offering.

You can own a Mickey Mouse telephone, a Kermit phone or a phone that's hidden in a box. I own an \$8.88 telephone - eat your heart out, Ma Bell.

You see, I am waiting for something truly original.

What's wrong with the kitchen, for instance? How about a telephone you can store in the refrigerator. Why not a banana phone?

Or a telephone that looks like a roll of toilet paper. Or better yet, one that can be used as a toilet paper holder.

What about the basement? Why not design a phone that looks like a crowbar or a wrench? I can see it now . . . the phone rings. You dash out to your garage, pry the lid off your custom phone-in-a-tool-box and slam 20 pounds of steel receiver into the side of your head.

"Hello?"

"Hi Diane, this is Sue."

"Sue, would you mind, terribly, taking me to the hospital. I seem to have developed a telephone concussion."

If the telephone companies fail to come up with something suitably extravagant, I have another hope. With any luck, Ronco will develop a telephone in time for Santa's first run at local chimneys. Perhaps it will be seen on television sandwiched between the commercials for the record caddy that automatically displays each album like an entry on a roll-o-dex, or the ever useful contraption that scrambles your eggs before you break the shell.

It could be a "Ronco Vegetable Steamer Phone and Chinese Wok" or perhaps a cordless telephone umbrella and answering machine.

One can hardly wait . . .

Diane Murphy is a columnist for the Daily. Her column appears every Tuesday.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed



Spartans blow halftime lead, lose 25-21

Ragin' Cajuns dominate SJSU in second half; Elway suffers first losing season

By Pat Sangimino

If one game could epitomize the entire SJSU season, it had to be Saturday night's season ending loss to Southwestern Louisiana, 25-21.

The Spartans took advantage of some big Ragin' Cajun mistakes to jump out to a 21-0 halftime lead before 9,221 fans at Spartan Stadium only to be completely outplayed in the second half.

This, too, can be said of the whole 1983 campaign. The Spartans jumped out to a fast start winning four of their first five games and appeared to have the inside track to a Pacific Coast Athletic Association title.

But then the unthinkable happened. The SJSU squad lost five of their last six games and ended the season with a 5-6 record — the first losing record in Jack Elway's seven-year coaching career and the Spartans first losing year since 1977 when the team went 4-7 under coach Lynn Stiles.

"Football is a funny game and I know if I stayed around it long enough I'd have to have one losing year," Elway said. "It doesn't feel very good."

If anything came out of the loss, though, it was that Elway may have found his starting quarterback for next year. For the first half of the game, Bob Frasco was extremely effective running the Spartans' short passing game.

His ability to run the ball also was a factor as he rushed for all three of the Spartan touchdowns. By the intermission Frasco had completed 13-of-18 passes for 197 yards.

But the second half was a whole different story for the junior signal caller. He connected on just 10-of-23 passes for 68 yards as the Spartan offense turned stagnant.

"The offense played so well in the first half," Frasco said. "I have to take a lot of the blame for the second half. But when you look at the third quarter and see that we had only one or two drives, that tells you something."

Playing without Bobby Johnson in the second half did not help the Spartan offense either. The senior running back has been bothered by an injured foot and after carrying the ball 13 times for 38 yards and catching four passes for 49 yards in the first half, he was unable to play after the intermission.

However, the Ragin' Cajuns came out ready in the second half. In the span of six minutes, they turned a once-commanding Spartan lead into a mere three-point deficit.

"It appeared to me that a lot of guys thought the game was already won by halftime," said Dave Albright, senior linebacker. "Everyone was happy in the locker room and they just came and blew us out in the second half."

Elway, though, thought the turnaround was caused more by the Spartans' confusion than their complacency. The Ragin' Cajuns utilized the option offense and the Spartans had contained the outside in the first half, but in the second half, USL began running the ball up the middle and that opened up the Spartan defense.

"We just didn't adjust well to them running the fullback up the middle," Elway said. "They executed it well."

USL took the second half kickoff and in just seven plays, went 71 yards for the touchdown. The bulk of the yardage came on a 40-yard run by Thomas Jackson that got the ball down to the six-yard line.

Two plays later the drive was culminated when quarterback Donnie Schnexnider threw a four-yard touchdown pass to running back Bertrand Green. After the extra point the score was 21-7.

On the ensuing kickoff, Spartan Adam Goldberg fumbled and the Ragin' Cajuns' Joe DeForrest recovered the ball at the SJSU 20-yard line. However, the Spartans defense stiffened and USL had to settle for a 35-yard Oscar Speer field goal to make the score 21-10.

"It seems like whenever things are going bad, the mistakes come at a untimely moment," Elway said. "That fumble, along with a couple of key penalties were important errors."

The Spartans finally got the ball in the third quarter, but things were nothing like they were in the first half. In three plays they managed to get just three yards and Phillippe Rebboah punted to the USL 37-yard line.

On the first play of the drive, Schnexnider handed off to Green who broke through the interior line, popped out to the right side line and was gone for a 63-yard touch-

down. Schnexnider ran for the two-point conversion and the score was 21-18.

"This team doesn't have the killer instinct it had last year," Albright said. "We had them down at halftime, but we didn't go for the kill."

It was another Spartan mistake that kept a Ragin' Cajun drive going and led to USL's winning touchdown.

With seven minutes to go in the game, USL had a third-and-11 from the SJSU 30-yard line. Schnexnider dropped back to pass, but was sacked by Spartan noseguard Tom Marshall. Unfortunately for SJSU, Marshall was called for a facemask and rather than having to punt the ball, USL had a third-and-six from the 25-yard line.

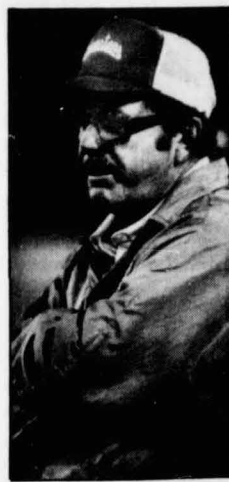
Schnexnider took advantage of the second chance and found receiver Greg Hobbs open on the four-yard line. On the next play, the sophomore quarterback connected with Hobbs again in the endzone to give the Ragin' Cajuns a 25-21 lead.

Frasco tried to get the lead back for SJSU, but without Johnson, the Spartan running game was virtually nonexistent. But, it was Eric Richardson that made the costly mistake of dropping two passes to end the drive.

With 4:58 to go and the ball on the Spartan 22-yard line, Frasco found Richardson deep on the left side line

'Football is a funny game and I knew that if I stayed around it long enough, I'd have to have one losing year. It doesn't feel very good.'

— Jack Elway



Spartan Notes

By Pat Sangimino

Sherman Crocroft intercepted a pass late in the first half to tie the Spartan record for most career interceptions.

His 14 interceptions ties him with Kenny Thomas, now a running back with the Kansas City Chiefs. Thomas accumulated his 14 interceptions in four seasons, while Crocroft, a junior college transfer who established several career interception records at Cabrillo College in Aptos, did it in two years.

The 14th interception came on a strange play. USL quarterback Donnie Schnexnider lateraled to receiver Greg Hobbs, who tried to throw down field to Bertrand Green, but the pass floated and went right into Crocroft's hands.

Crocroft nearly had the 14th interception earlier in the game when he deflected a pass, but it went off Tod Devlin's hands and into Frank Witherspoon's arms for an interception.

Eric Richardson also landed a spot in the record books for the

Spartans. His 911 yards of receiving this season is the best regular season performance ever by a Spartan receiver.

In 1981 Tim Kearse caught passes for 946 yards, but that figure also included the California Bowl. Prior to Richardson's performance, the regular season record was held by Kearse, who caught 799 yards last season, and by Mark Nichols, now with the Detroit Lions, who had 773 yards in 1979.

Richardson's 54 receptions this season ties him with Steve Cox (1986) for fourth place in most receptions in a single season, but his 94 career grabs puts him into fifth place ahead of Cox on the all-time list.

Frasco's three rushing touchdowns Saturday night made him the second Spartan this season to score three touchdowns in a game. Fullback Dave Criswell scored three touchdowns against Nevada-Las Vegas and Pacific.

Mike Maurer was unable to

play because of a pinched nerve in his shoulder. However, the senior linebacker was still named the honorary captain and was out on the field prior to the game for the coin toss.

Maurer has been alternating with junior Vyn Goodman since being injured against Utah State on Nov. 5. Goodman played the whole first half, but in the second half was platooned with junior Tony Sanchez-Correa.

Goodman, linebacker Dave Albright and defensive back K.C. Clark tied for the team lead in tackles with 11. Albright also had two quarterback sacks and wound up the teams leading tackler.

Bobby Johnson, although he played only the first half of the last two games, rushed for 914 yards — the fifth best single-season effort in Spartan history.

His 1,556 yards in his SJSU career is sixth in Spartan history just 18 yards behind Jewell Thomas, now a member of the Kansas City Chiefs.

The senior from Novato had a step on his man, but appeared to hesitate. The ball went right through his hands.

Two plays later Frasco found Richardson open again, but he tried to run before he had the ball and that one dropped, too.

"Eric had one bad drive," Frasco said, "but he's had 10 good games and he's been doing the job for us all year."

In the first half, everyone was doing the job for the Spartans. The defense was causing the Ragin' Cajuns to make some big mistakes and the offense was taking advantage of the opportunities.

SJSU got on the scoreboard after special teams player Talmadge Morning recovered a fumbled punt on the USL 45-yard line. Frasco promptly completed a 35-yard pass to Keith McDonald to give the Spartans a first-and-goal at the five yard line. Three plays later Frasco went around right end for the score.

In the second quarter Frank Witherspoon intercepted a pass that led to the Spartans' second touchdown. Frasco got the Spartans into scoring position when he lofted a pass down the left side line to Johnson for a 29-yard gain. Five plays later Frasco went around left end for a nine-yard touchdown. Luis Comesana missed the extra point and it was 13-0.

Things were going well for the Spartans and it showed on the ensuing kickoff when Clarence Verdin fumbled the ball and it was recovered by John Rozar at the USL 31-yard line.

Frasco completed passes to Richardson, Art King and McDonald to get the ball down to the one-yard line. This time, Frasco went over the top for the touchdown. Frasco then threw to tight end Carl Sullivan for the two-point conversion to make it 21-0.

NorPac all stars lose to U.S. Olympic team in field hockey, 6-2

By Dean Kahl

Six Spartans headed the All-Northern Pacific Athletic Conference squad that took on the 1984 United States Olympic women's field hockey team last Tuesday at Kleeberger Field in Berkeley.

But six Spartans couldn't stop six U.S. goals as the NorPac all stars lost 6-2.

The All-Stars, led by Spartans Kath Ferenchak, Jeannie Gilbert, Debbie Libbey, Ali McCargo, Lynne McManus and Mace Savelkoul, were able to score two goals off the U.S. team and SJSU head coach said the team as a whole played "pretty well."

"We combined well for not playing together for very long," Lewis continued. "We scored two goals off a very good team. Renee Chatas has an awesome corner shot, so she's bound to score."

Chatas, the NorPac's 1983 scoring leader from Cal, scored both goals for the NorPac. She gave the All-Stars an early and short-lived 1-0 lead midway through the first half when she whisked a penalty corner shot past U.S. goalie Gwen Cheeseman — head coach of the Temple Owls.

But the Olympic team came right back with three straight corner attempts and three straight goals to take a 3-1 halftime lead.

Midfielder Beth Anders, head coach for 1983 NCAA champion Old Dominion, scored all three goals for the U.S. team, putting a trio of shots past All-Star goalie Cheryl DeGrasse of Pacific. The NorPac team was without the services of All-NorPac goalie Bonny Warner of Stanford, who was training for luge for the 1984 Winter Olympics.

Things didn't get much better for the NorPac All-Stars in the rainy and cold second half. With Spartan goalie Debbie Libbey minding the net, the U.S. team padded their lead to

6-1 on two more corner goals by Anders and a penalty stroke goal by midfielder Beth Beglin — head coach at Westchester State.

Despite the five goals by Anders, the NorPac All-Stars held the U.S. team without a goal in field play.

"I was impressed with the NorPac team," U.S. head coach Vonnie Gros said. "We didn't score from the field which is a credit to them. The NorPac was very talented and I wouldn't be surprised if some of them are on the Olympic team in the future."

The game also marked the final Spartan appearance for Ferenchak and McManus.

"The game was a lot of fun," McManus said. "It's a great experience to play in a game like this."

Ferenchak also added that the game was fun, but a bit saddening.

"It's a little sad," Ferenchak said referring to her last game as a Spartan. "It was sadder, though, when we lost in Iowa because that was the end of our season."

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Spartan Basketball—1983-84

Spartans host Gators in basketball opener

By John Ormsby

After a long preseason and two memorable intrasquad games, the SJSU basketball team opens the season tonight against San Francisco State.

Coach Bill Berry has a pretty good idea of how his players match up against each other, and tonight's matchup with the Gators should give the coach an indication of how his inexperienced team will fare in the regular season.

"I know we're all excited about playing someone different," Berry said. "The guys are getting pretty tired of facing each other."

The Spartans played their final intrasquad game of the preseason last Tuesday at Oak Grove High School. The Blue team edged the White team 57-56 in another close game. The White team eked out a 63-62 win in an earlier Blue-White game.

"It almost looks like we planned them like that," Berry said of the close scores. "Actually, we have ten kids who are all solid players, so the close games don't surprise me that much."

Forward Matt Fleming led all scorers with 18 points. The junior from Saratoga also pulled down six rebounds for the Blue team. "Matt's been playing very well," Berry said. "As soon as he learns to be a little tougher he's going to be a fine player."

Center Kevin Thomas also had a good game, scoring 12 points and collecting seven rebounds for the blue team. "Kevin had a very good game," Berry said. "He always goes all out. He works very hard in practice and I know he's going to be a good one."

Forward Keith Norwood and center John Nord turned in strong performances for the White team. Norwood scored nine points and pulled down nine rebounds. Nord also scored nine points and collected six rebounds.

Berry was encouraged by the play of his forwards. "We know what to expect from the guards because some of them have been here for a few years," Berry said. "Keith (Norwood) is the only forward who was here last year, so I really

don't know what to expect from our big men. I'm pleased with our progress in that area."

Berry will start Michael Dixon and Bobby Evans at guard tonight against the Gators. Dixon scored nine points for the White team last week on four for five shooting. Evans led the team with 12 points.

"Michael is our leader on the floor," Berry said. "He has a great understanding of the game and he's a outstanding person."

The coach also plans to use junior Erskine Sankey at guard tonight. "Erskine has been playing very well," the coach said. "He plays tough defense and he's developing into a good floor leader."

Lance Wyatt and Norwood will start at forward tonight and Nord will start in the pivot.

The Gators finished at 21-9 last season under first year coach Kevin Wilson, and San Francisco looks to be in good shape this season despite losing some talent to graduation.

Gone are forward Neal Hickey, last years Northern California Athletic Conference player of the year, and standout guard Mike Almeida. Wilson will rely on a mixture of returnees and newcomers to fill the void.

Guard Patrick Sandle and center Everett Johnson will have to shoulder the scoring burden if the Gators are to top the twenty win mark again this year. Both players are returnees from last years squad. Sandle averaged 9.5 points a game last year, while Johnson averaged 9.4.

Redshirt Keith Hazell returns to the team after missing last year with a knee injury. The forward was a double figure scorer for the Gators before the injury.

"I saw them last week against Chapman College," Berry said. "They looked pretty good. Chapman has a very good team, and San Francisco stayed right with them. I think it's going to be a close, exciting game."

Game time is set for 7:30 p.m. at San Jose's Civic Auditorium.



Erskine Sankey, left, drives on Bobby Evans in action from last week's Blue-White scrimmage.

Kathryn Uzzardo

Bookend forwards bolster Fresno

By Lisa Ewbank

It will be a hard act to follow. Fresno State was the Cinderella story of the nation in 1982-83, getting off to a mediocre 13-9 start and ending up the National Invitation Tournament champion. Sound amazing? It was.

Fresno State

Boyd Grant's Bulldogs won 12 of their last 13 games on the way to the NIT crown, including the 69-60 win over DePaul in the final game of the year.

The question now is how to top that? A good beginning in the quest for their third conference championship in four years will be the return of two of the finest forwards in

the country — seniors Bernard Thompson and Ron Anderson — the "Bookend Forwards."

Thompson (6-foot-6), a first team All-PCAA and honorable mention All-American in 1982, led the Bulldogs in rebounding (5.9 rebounds per game) and is the leading field goal percentage shooter in Fresno State history (.582). He was also named to the NIT all-star squad.

Thompson will be joined by the other half of the lightning-quick bookends, Anderson.

Not quite as heralded as Thompson, Anderson (6-7) is nevertheless a hit. His 16.3 points per game average was tops on the team last season, and he was named Most Valuable Player of the NIT after averaging

18.6 points a game. He was also part of the all-PCAA second team.

At the guard position, returning senior Mitch Arnold (6-4) will pitch in his accurate outside shooting and excellent passing. Grant has not decided on Arnold's counterpart, but top contenders are senior Cleave Lewis (6-5), who can play both guard and forward, and returning sophomores Marvin Carter (6-4) and Charlie Smith (6-0).

In the middle, Grant is leaning towards junior transfer Scott Barnes (6-8) to take the place of the departed Desi Barmore.

"Barnes definitely has the talent," Grant said. "He is quick, runs well and

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Tigers to compete without top players

By Lisa Ewbank

University of the Pacific coach Tom O'Neill was looking forward to going into the 1983-84 season with a more proven group of players than he inherited when he became the head man in 1982.

He lost only one starter to graduation (Laurence Held) after a 7-21 season — 4-12 in the PCAA for seventh place.

Pacific

The Tigers' top scorer and top rebounder were ready to come back and lead the much-improved squad.

Unfortunately for just about everyone in Stockton, however, leading scorer Rich Anema ruptured a disk in his back during the summer and underwent surgery. No one is quite sure how long Anema will be unavailable — estimates range from three to six months.

He began running a couple of weeks ago, and O'Neill is hopeful that Anema will be able to join the team in time for conference games.

"Of course a loss like this is something you really don't want to see," O'Neill said, "but we have a lot of talented players that I think will do a good job in his absence."

They will have to do an above average job to replace the kind of statistics Anema racked up as a freshman.

On his way to being named to the all-PCAA freshman team along with teammate Andy Franklin, Anema set six Pacific freshman records, and led the team in scoring with a 12.9 average. He was the first freshman in Pacific history to lead all scorers.

Anema started all 28 games last season, and ranked third on the team in rebounding.

If losing Anema is not enough, the Tigers will be without forward/guard Drew Rodgers (6-5), considered by O'Neill the most talented on the squad. He will be out for at least five or six games because of academic problems.

Rodgers, normally the off guard, was to be moved to small forward to replace Anema, but O'Neill will now have to rely on sophomore Franklin to lead his three-forward offense.

Franklin (6-8) will most likely take the center spot, but will move to forward occasionally and give way to junior Dave Karkenny (6-10).

"Franklin will be one of the premier players in the conference," O'Neill said. "He learned a lot last year, playing against some of country's finest players, and he'll be even better this year."

"I'm glad we'll be able to move him around if we need to," he said. "Our front

line is very flexible because we have a lot of players who can play a lot of positions."

Among those players able to play in the front court are junior Kevin Crabtree (6-7), a third-year Tiger, sophomore Greg Davis (6-6), and senior Graham Taylord (6-7).

But one of the most pleasant surprises is freshman Brent Counts (6-9). A three-time all-state pick in high school in Oregon, Counts could very well get plenty of playing time at either forward or center.

"We're very happy with Counts," O'Neill said. "He will be an outstanding ball player — he's far ahead in the game for a freshman." Counts, who reminds O'Neill a little of Franklin, is the son of former Los Angeles Laker Mel Counts.

While the front looks to be pretty much taken care of, even with the absence of Anema and Rodgers, the back court is wide open.

Leading the guards is senior John Leidenheimer (6-1). An excellent defensive player, Leidenheimer will have to improve his shooting to hold off the charging Kyle Pepple, a freshman redshirt.

Leidenheimer shot just .257 from the floor last season with a high game of eight. Pepple is also a good defensive player, but he can penetrate defenses well and is an

outstanding outside shooter, according to O'Neill.

"Kyle is really pushing John for the starting spot," he said. "John is great on assists, but needs to shoot for a higher percentage. Whoever ends up starting, though, they'll both see a lot of playing time."

Until Rodgers returns, sophomore Dean Andretta (6-3) has an edge over the rest for the off guard spot. Andretta, sidelined much of the '83 season because of a broken foot, is a good outside shooter and should complement both Leidenheimer and Pepple well.

"Dean is absolutely fearless," O'Neill said. "He'll take it in against just about anyone, which isn't always good."

Especially in Pacific's deliberate offense. No run-and-gun here, that's for sure. O'Neill stresses setting up for high percentage shots.

"We definitely don't fire at will," he said. "But we are still an interesting team to watch. We play with a lot of intensity, we're strong and physical inside, and we're aggressive."

"We were not a great team last, and we'll have to rush a couple of youngsters in there, but I guarantee we won't give up."

A new coach, new era in Long Beach

By John Ormsby

Some may call it a rebuilding year, but at Cal State-Long Beach, they refer to it as "the beginning of a new era in 49er basketball."

Long Beach

Long Beach was once the pride of the PCAA. Its basketball program earned national respect as one of the finest in the country. Last season the 49ers slipped to 13-16, seventh in the PCAA, and school officials decided it was obviously time for a new era.

In Long Beach, new eras start with new coaches. Dave Buss replaces Tex Winter as the 49ers' head coach. Buss enjoyed considerable success as the head coach of the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay, where his teams posted a 271-102 record in 12 years. He spent last season as an assistant

to Jerry Tarkanian at UNLV.

He may be hard pressed to continue that success at Long Beach. The team he inherits from Winter is not devoid of talent, but the inexperienced 49ers might be in for some rough times before the season is over.

"We'll face some challenges," Buss said, "but I'm confident we'll beat some people."

Buss will have little to worry about at guard. He inherits an experienced and talented tandem of guards in Joedy Gardener and Ricky Smith. Gardener was the team's leading scorer last year with a 15.7 average. Smith averaged 11 points a contest last year and led the team in assists, dishing out 118 during the season.

The 49ers appear to be set at the center position as well. Six-foot-eleven Ivan Verberck returns after solid season last year as a

49er reserve. The native of Antwerpen, Belgium averaged 8.4 points and 4.7 rebounds a game in limited action. He also established a school record with 55 blocks.

The forward position is likely to draw most of Buss' attention. Redshirt Darryl Adams and returnees Mark Lewis, John Washington and Craig Lack are competing for the two spots, and the coach indicated he wouldn't hesitate to use Gardener at small forward in a pinch.

"We don't have a lot of experience at forward," Buss said. "Adams redshirted last season, Lack is a graduate student who hasn't played much, and Allen is a walk on who hasn't played college basketball in three years."

Lack of depth will probably hurt the 49ers as much as the lack of experience. "We're not very deep," Buss said. "That

might cause some problems for us."

The coach remains optimistic about his teams chances in the PCAA, a conference Buss insists is the "toughest west of the Mississippi."

"The league schedule is relentless, there is abso-

lutely no let-up in it," he said. "In addition to all the great players in our league, there are excellent coaches and strong programs."

"We have some obstacles to overcome, but people better not take us lightly," he said.



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Spartan Basketball—1983-84

Rebels prepared to defend

By Lisa Ewbank

According to some PCAA coaches, Jerry Tarkanian has the two best teams in the conference — the Las Vegas squads that play against each other every day in practice.

But Tarkanian, the winningest active college coach (percentage) in the nation, disagrees.

"If we are the team to beat this year," he said, "it would be an absolute miracle."

Las Vegas

Very bold statement for the reigning UPI Coach of the Year. All he did last season was lead his team to a final No. 6 ranking (the Runnin' Rebels were at the top spot at one point in the season) and a 28-3 record, second only to Houston. UNLV won the PCAA crown and tournament, and were knocked out of the NCAA tourney by eventual champion North Carolina State.

Granted, the Rebels will be without two of their star attractions in 1984 — Sidney Green and Larry Anderson. Tarkanian boast that Green "was the best player we ever had, and we'll miss him."

How can he not miss the second-leading scorer in UNLV history? Especially when coupled with the loss of the fourth-leading scorer — Larry Anderson.

Also missing from the lineup is sophomore Eldridge Hudson, who had knee surgery in the off-season.

But successful recruiting and solid returning players will make the adjusting easier.

Guards Eric Booker and Danny Tarkanian (yes, the coach's son) will anchor a strong backcourt. Although they "are not scorers," Tarkanian said, "their strength is their solid defense and good ball handling."

The younger Tarkanian not only plays basketball well, (he is the all-time assists leader at UNLV), he is also a candidate for a Rhodes scholarship.

Senior Jeff Collins and sophomore Gary Graham will also help out at guard. Collins, in his second year with the Rebels, has improved his shooting and should see more playing time in '83.

In the middle, senior Paul Brozovich will abandon his backup role of last year to be Tark's number one center.

Although his numbers are not spectacular (last season he averaged 4.8 points per game and totaled 173 rebounds), Brozovich will be strong inside.

"Paul won't lead you to the promised land," Tarkanian said, "but he'll help."

Trying to unseat Brozovich will be junior John Flowers, a transfer from Indiana. The highly touted Flowers will not make that much difference at first, according to Tarkanian.

"Just because he went to Indiana doesn't mean he's the answer," he said. "He continues to improve, but he didn't start at Indiana, either. We'll have to wait and see."

If the guard and center position seem pretty much clear, the rest of the front court is clouded in a fog.

It will definitely take more than one junior college transfer to replace the scoring of Anderson and the versatile Green, who was a combination center/forward last season and is now playing forward for the Chicago Bulls.

The transfer stuck with the job of filling the proverbial shoes is Frank "Spoon" James from Texas. James will contribute his outstanding outside shooting, but will need help in the quickness department. According to Tarkanian, "Spoon takes two days to get up and down the court."

Eric Booker will move from his guard position to forward at times to help out, and senior Tom Roberts and junior Richie Adams will also contribute. Roberts, in his second season with the Rebels, is considered one of the most reliable players on the team, and Adams has the potential to be a dominating force on the court because of his jumping ability.

Although Tarkanian picks Fresno State to be the PCAA champion, he concedes that he "has a very good team."

And although he doesn't have what he calls the "best type of team — eight great players and four great cheerleaders," he might just have the next best thing — 12 players who could very well start on any PCAA team.

Unfortunately for the conference, however, all 12 are in Las Vegas playing each other every day in practice.

Spartans beaten by Stanford on two last-second free throws

By Dean Kahl

The SJSU women's basketball team didn't have much to be thankful for over the Thanksgiving weekend as they lost to Stanford Friday in the final seconds, 73-72.

The Spartans led 72-71 with 28 seconds left and had the ball, but Stanford stole the inbounds pass. The Cardinal were able to work the ball to guard Virginia Sourlis who drew a foul with seven seconds left. Sourlis stepped to the free throw line and sunk both of her only free throw attempts to give the Cardinal a one-point lead.

The Spartans had a chance to win the game, but Sheila Brown's last second shot was no good and SJSU dropped to 2-2.

"We created a lot of opportunities the whole game," assistant coach Renee Lauerma said. "We just didn't convert like we needed to."

SJSU also juggled their starting lineup for Stanford as the coaches try to find the best starting five. For the Cardinal game, Chatman inserted Donna Clark at center and LaVerne Smith at guard as Rhoda Chew and Robin Thompson opened the game on the bench.

"We're just moving the players around in preseason," Lauerma said, "so we can find the right working combination for the season."

Lauerma added that Clark played well for the amount of times she got the ball. But Chew came off the bench, nonetheless, to score 17 points and grab six rebounds before fouling out. Brown led the Spartans with 19 points.

"We got a lot of fast breaks," Lauerma added, "but we just didn't convert. We missed some high percentage shots."

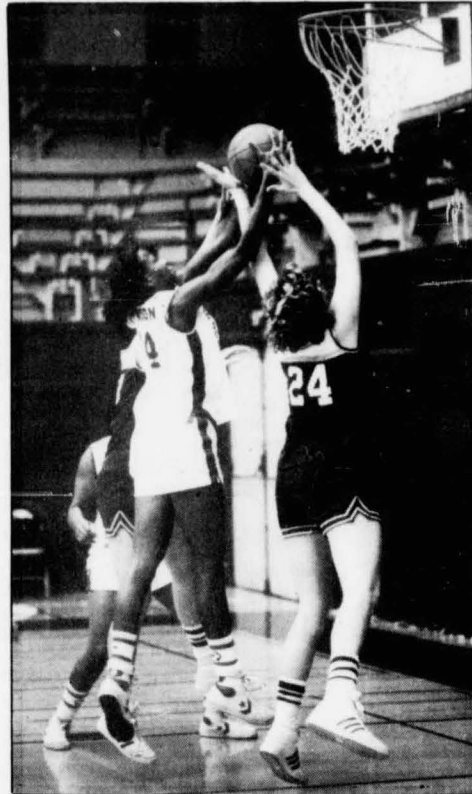
The Spartans shot only 39 percent from the field, but we were able to stay in the game by outrebounding the Cardinal, 48-41.

"We got a lot of boards," Lauerma said, "but we gave up a lot too."

The Cardinal were led by the inside play of forward Mary Bradich (18 points and eight rebounds) and center Sarah Evans (a game high 21 points and 13 rebounds).

"We need to improve," Lauerma concluded, "and we will. It's early."

SJSU will get a chance to improve as they encounter Sonoma State today at 5:15 at the San Jose Civic Center.



Liza Murphy

Spartan forward Roberta Lawson battles Stanford center Sarah Evans (24) for a rebound in Friday night's 73-72 loss to the Cardinal.

Wood keeps the CS Fullerton fire burning brightly

By Lisa Ewbank

At Cal State Fullerton, and most likely throughout the PCAA, the 1983-84 basketball season will be known as the year of Leon Wood.

Fullerton

Wood, now a senior, is considered by many not only the best point guard in the conference, but one of the top players in the country. His list of credentials goes on and on ... and on.

As a junior, he was named to many All-America teams and was picked the PCAA Player of the Year after a Superman-like season ... he averaged 18.1 points per game ... set a collegiate single season record for assists with 319 for an average of 11 per contest ... missed only 84 minutes of playing time

out of a possible 1,160 the entire season and played the entire game 12 times ... set a school record for assists with 21 against Long Beach ... well, you get the idea.

Coaches just cannot talk enough about the 6-3 "nice guy" from Santa Monica. But not everyone shouts praise when Wood walks by. Not even his own coach.

"Leon will have to improve his defense," said Titan coach George McQuarn, "and we've been working with him all fall on it. He doesn't practice well before the season — he picks up a lot of bad habits in the off-season that we have to break him of."

While Wood may learn some of those "bad habits" from the two or three pickup games he plays each day in the summer, he learned others this past summer in the Pan American Games while playing for the

United States. One of Wood's biggest goals is to go to the 1984 Olympics — a longtime dream.

Although the style of international play is a bit different than college, Wood should have no trouble adjusting back to the American courts and the immediate goal — winning the PCAA.

The Titans, named in the top 20 by many polls, return six of eight regular players from last year, although one — center/forward DeWayne Shepard — may not be available for awhile, maybe the entire season.

The loss of Shepard, who had knee surgery last year, and Craig Fuller will hurt the Titans' front line. Fuller hurt his knee on the first day of school and is out for the year.

"We have no depth at all in front," McQuarn said. "Let's just hope we don't get in

too much foul trouble or have problems with injuries."

With Shepard and Fuller gone, rebounding will be a big concern. Starting center Ozell Jones (6-11) is in his second year as a Titan. He averaged 7.1 rebounds per game in '83, second to Tony Neal. Backing up Jones will be sophomore Oliver Seeley (6-7).

At small forward, senior Johnny Wilkes (6-5) will have to hold off newcomer Rob Otis (6-6). Wilkes averaged 3.0 points in 28 games last year, but Otis is a definite sharpshooter. He shot 65.5 percent from the floor at Mt. Hood City College in Oregon last year, averaging 17.9 points and 8.8 rebounds.

Neal (6-6), who led the team in rebounding with 10 per game, will occupy the other forward spot.

One of the toughest jobs for McQuarn has

been replacing off guard Ricky Mixon, last year's second-leading scorer with an average of 15.2 points per game.

"We will sure miss Mixon," McQuarn said, "he'll be very hard to replace. We don't have any recruits that can really fill his shoes."

Trying to fill those shoes, though, will be 6-6 junior Gary Davis, who played mostly at forward last season. Davis averaged 11.2 points in '83. Also vying for playing time at guard is last year's state junior college Player of the Year, Darnell Fletcher (6-2).

The most unenviable position goes to 6-5 freshman Jon Samuelson, who will relieve Wood at point guard at those rare moments when Wood is on the bench.

No matter how much McQuarn wants the rest of the league to believe otherwise, the people in and around Fullerton know that the Titans will be one of the teams to beat in '84.

Aggies aim for NCAA return

By Lisa Ewbank

Two years ago, Utah State was stagnating in the lower half of the PCAA standings. The Aggies won only four games all season against a whopping 23 losses. There was nowhere to go but up.

But no one could predict how far up they would go.

Santa Barbara

A year later, the Aggies were in the NCAA championship tournament after a 20-9 season, and coach Rod Tuelier and his squad earned the title of most improved Division I team in the nation.

Although Tuelier in no way wants another turn around year, he is optimistic about his team's chances of improving even more.

Utah State will return four of five starters in 1984, the catalyst being sophomore Greg Grant.

Even as a freshman, Grant was THE leader on the Aggie squad. On the way to being named the PCAA's Freshman of the Year, he led the team in scoring (14.7 points per game), rebounding (9.1 per game), and field goal accuracy. The 6-7 forward was also picked for the all-PCAA second team and was a third team freshman All-American.

According to Tuelier, Grant is even better this year. "Greg has really improved," he said, "especially on defense. He has developed his strength and is physically much stronger. He's going to be excellent."

Three returning seniors round out the group of veterans.

Michael McCullough (6-5) and center Ron Ence (6-7) will join Grant on the front line. McCullough, an "excellent" forward, according to Tuelier, averaged 11.3 points and four rebounds per game last season while Ence contributed 12.9 points and 6.3 rebounds per game.

Guard Chris McMullin (6-5) will return to the backcourt without his partner from last year Lance Washington, who averaged 10.7 points and 4.8 assists per game.

Vying for point guard

will be another Washington — Vince — a junior college transfer, and last year's reserve Joel Rotta.

The biggest improvement in the Aggies will be depth. "We're untested, when it comes to depth," Tuelier said, "but I think we'll be a lot better in that area."

Especially if junior Gary Beck (6-9) and Jeff Anderson (6-6), a transfer from Ricks Junior College in Utah can master the system and contribute.

Tuelier had a chance to evaluate the progress of his returning players in the off-season during a 10-game exhibition game trip to Brazil.

"We didn't win a lot of games," Tuelier said, (they won only three), "but it was a good experience."

"Those team down there are really tough. The caliber of basketball outside of America is getting better all the time."

The experience in Brazil is bound to help the Aggies, according to Tuelier, who has to deal with four straight in-state contests to begin the season.

Utah State hosts Brigham Young and Weber State to start it off, then travel to BYU for the Cougar Classic and to Salt Lake City to meet archrival Utah.

"Our schedule this year is definitely tougher," Tuelier said. "Not only do we start out tough, but we are playing in one of the top two or three conferences in the country."

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Pimm hopes to turn Gaucho squad around

By Pat Sangimino

First year UC Santa Barbara coach Jerry Pimm realizes that drastically improving the Gauchos' record from a year ago is going to be an uphill battle, but he feels he's ready for the challenge.

Pimm coached Utah to a Western Athletic Conference championship last season and in the NCAA playoffs, his Utes pulled off upsets over Illinois and UCLA.

Utah State

So why does he give up a coaching job at a proven basketball program to go to one that finished dead last in the Pacific Coast Athletic Association a year ago with a 1-15 record?

"It's a new opportunity and challenge," Pimm said. "I want to bring some of that success here if I can."

But Pimm is a realist.

"It'll take us a while to get to the level of the other teams in the conference," the Gaucho coach said. "The PCAA is an up and coming conference. It might be the best conference in the west. I look forward to competing in the PCAA."

Unfortunately for the first year coach, he does not have the players that some of the stronger teams in the conference — like Nevada-Las Vegas and Fresno State — have. His recruiting year was virtually non-existent because he was hired to the job late, so all Pimm has to work with is basically what ever is left over from last year's dismal team.

That does not include York Gross — the second leading scorer in the PCAA last

year with a 20.9 average. Gross was selected in the fourth round by the Denver Nuggets.

Without Gross UC-Santa Barbara team will take on a new attitude — run ... run ... and run some more.

"We are definitely going to be a running team," Pimm said. "Our philosophy is to beat them (the opponent) down the court."

The strong point of the team will be the guards where Pimm has a pair of players returning. San Jose City College transfer Dedrick Brooks is the "best athlete on the team" according to Pimm and he will handle the shooting guard position. Last season in limited action he averaged 4.2 points per game.

At the point guard will be 6-foot senior Tony Hopkins. The Las Vegas native attended junior college at southern California's El Camino Junior College where he earned all-Metro League honors. In limited time last season, he averaged 2.1 points a game.

But when the Gauchos are not able to run, they will try to get the ball inside to sophomore forward Scott Fisher.

"Scott is a solid player and is sound fundamentally," Pimm said.

As a freshman, the 6-foot-7, 210 pounder averaged 6.9 points per game and 4.2 rebounds each contest.

While it may be a long year this season for the Gauchos, Pimm is confident that his club will be better in years to come.

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SJSU wrestlers beat Bakersfield in close one

By John Ormsby

Wrestling fans have come to expect a tough battle when SJSU and Cal State Bakersfield hit the mat.

They weren't disappointed last Tuesday when the teams wrestled to another narrow decision in a dual meet at Spartan Gym. The Spartans (2-0) took a 21-19 decision from the Roadrunners (0-1) in the latest chapter of a true wrestling rivalry.

The meet was close the entire way, and SJSU relied on some good fortune as well as good wrestling to pull out the victory.

Brian Canali opened the meet with a 8-4 victory Bakersfield's John Smithson at 118 pounds. Canali held a narrow 6-4 lead late in the third round when he sealed the bout by taking down the tiring Smithson with 20 seconds remaining.

Albert Perez and John Loomis squared off at 126 pounds and this time it was Loomis breaking up a close bout in the late stages of the final round to earn a 8-4 decision.

With the team scored at three, Spartan freshman Anthony Palomino and Bakersfield's Brian Stevens matched up

at 134 pounds in what turned out to be one of the night's most important bouts.

Palomino, wrestling more like a senior than a freshman, built an 11-6 lead in the first two rounds. With just 23 seconds left in the bout, Stevens went down with a knee injury and was unable to continue.

Roadrunner head coach Joe Seay was visibly upset when his wrestler couldn't continue, and for good reason. The default gave SJSU the maximum six points for the victory instead of three it would have received had Steven been able to hold on for the remaining 23 seconds.

The Spartans took a 9-3 lead and the three points gained by the default proved to be the ultimate margin of victory.

"Anthony is looking very tough," Spartan coach T.J. Kerr said, "and that extra three points made a big difference in the score."

The Roadrunners climbed back into the lead by taking the next two bouts. Junior Steve Markey took a 10-4 decision from Spartan senior David Barnes at 142 pounds in a bout

marked by bad feelings on both sides. Barnes appeared angered by Markey's stalling tactics late in the bout and Markey was visibly upset when Barnes took him down after the referee's whistle.

The Roadrunners pulled ahead 10-9 at the intermission thanks to a fine effort by Jesse Reyes. The senior bulled his way to a 13-5 win over Jay Slivkoff at 150 pounds. Reyes used his superior strength to control the match, raking up points on takedowns.

The Spartans came out after intermission and recaptured the lead by winning the next two bouts. Junior Pat Huyck (now 5-0 on the season) took a close 4-2 decision from Troy Osborn at 158 pounds. Huyck broke open a 2-2 score with a takedown in the final seconds of round two and held on for the win.

Darryl Pope was next and the sophomore wrestled a controlled bout while downing Bakersfield senior Ray Mann 7-4. The Spartans held a 15-10 lead with three bouts remaining.

The Roadrunners were not about to roll over. Scott Teuscher gave SJSU's Marvin Jones his first loss



Albert Perez, top, fights a losing battle with Bakersfield's John Loomis. Perez dropped an 8-4 decision.

Karen Kelso

of the season by eeking out a 4-3 win at 177 pounds. Jones wrestled hard down the stretch, but was unable to score a takedown in the final seconds to salvage the bout.

With the score narrowed to 15-13, Spartan Andy Tsarnas came up with a crucial pin at 190

pounds to seal the meet. The senior finally corralled Bob Button, who lived up to his Roadrunner nickname, long enough to pin him with 1:27 remaining in the second round.

The pin gave SJSU six points for a 21-13 lead with one bout remaining to end the Roadrunners hopes for

a victory. The six points proved necessary when Bakersfield heavyweight Mike Blaske took a 12-0 decision from Mike Monroe in the final bout of the night.

Kerr emphasized the importance of Tsarnas' pin after the meet.

"That was a very im-

portant bout," he said. "We were looking for the pin, but the guy (Button) was really running. I wasn't sure if we were even going to get a major victory."

Tsarnas also had the feeling a pin would come in handy.

"I wrestled Blaske last

year at 190 pounds, and I wasn't sure how Mike would do against him," he said. "I thought we might need that pin."

Kerr was pleased with the victory over the powerful Roadrunners. "It was a great meet," the coach said. "Anytime you beat Bakersfield you have to be happy."

Spartan Basketball—1983-84

New Mexico State is ready for its conference debut

By Lisa Ewbank

Starting a new season in a brand new league is hard enough, but starting out in a conference as tough as the PCAA is enough to make many coaches cringe. But not Weldon Drew.

Drew will lead his New Mexico State squad into the ranks of the fastest-improving basketball conference in the country in 1984, a task he does not take lightly.

New Mexico State

"It's really tough to make a debut in a conference like this," the fifth-year head coach said. "We came from a tough, offense-minded conference (Missouri Valley), but the PCAA is becoming one of the strongest conferences in the country."

The Aggies are ready, according to Drew. Although three-fifths of the starting lineup is gone, "we may be better than last year." Which would be good, indeed.

Last year's team finished third in the MVC with a record of 18-11, enough to earn Drew Coach of the Year honors for the conference. The Aggies had been picked to finish as low as seventh.

Big change for Irvine: defense

By Pat Sangimino

The cure to a weak defense is not always a potent offense. Just ask UC Irvine basketball coach Bill Mulligan.

Last season his Anteaters led the PCAA in offense, averaging nearly 80 points per game. Yet, a look at the standings shows that Irvine finished fifth in the conference with an 8-8 record.

Irvine

Mulligan hopes to change that with one word — defense.

"We will be playing defense this year so we should be better," Mulligan said. "It's not as fun, but..."

Last season the Anteaters had the second worst scoring defense in the PCAA, giving up 81.2 points per game. Only Long Beach had a worse mark.

Mulligan is confident that his Anteaters will compete for the conference's top spot. One reason why is 6-8, 230 pound Ben McDonald.

McDonald is "head and shoulders above the others," Mulligan said. "He can do more than even (Kevin) Magee."

Fresno ranked high

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jumps well, and he's still learning. He's going to be a good one."

He will have to be good in order to please the red-clad throng that fills Fresno's Selland Arena to capacity every time the Bulldogs play. Grant's Tomb, as it is affectionately called by the nationally recognized Red Wave, has been a nemesis to visiting teams, and is in the process of being enlarged to hold more than 10,000 fans.

Grant is duly thankful for the Bulldog backers, allowing that "what we are is because of the fans."

But what the Bulldogs are may really be because of Grant himself. The fourth-winningest active major college coach in the nation took a team that had won just seven games the season before (against 20 losses) and turned it around.

In Grant's first season as head coach, 1978, the same squad that had been one of the weakest in the conference ended up with a 21-6 record. He was named the PCAA coach of the year for the first time. In 1981, Grant was also coach of the year after he took his team to the PCAA title, and repeated the honor in 1982. He has never had a losing season on the junior college or major college level.

This year doesn't figure to be any different. The Bulldogs were picked by PCAA coaches to take the conference championship. "I wish they had ranked us No. 1."

Drew has had a lot of success since coming to New Mexico State in 1979. He has had a first team all-MVC member in each of his four seasons, and his teams have compiled a record of 49-9 at home in the Pan American Center, which holds more than 13,000 people.

"Our home court is a real advantage for us," Drew said. "We average 11,000 people a game and the fans really know the sport."

Although those fans will not have a bench full of Ralph Sampsons to cheer for in 84, they will see a lot of 6-3 guard Steve Colter.

Colter, a "legitimate NBA choice," according to Drew, is a three-year starter for New Mexico State. He led the team in assists with 130 and was second in scoring with an average of 16.2 points per game. He also led the squad with 24 blocked shots.

"Steve is the leader on the team," Drew said, "and the only returning star. He is definitely a premier guard, and his only weakness is his ball handling."

Joining Colter in the backcourt will be Orlando

rick Johnson to handle the point guard duties.

Johnson, out of Skyline College in San Bruno, was an all-state performer and led the Trojans to the state finals the last two years. His outside shooting will be a definite plus in the three-point goal range.

Lee averaged 23 points per game for San Bernardino Valley College a year ago and was an honorable mention choice to the all-state team.

After fracturing his wrist midway through the 82-83 season, center Rick Ciaccio will be back this year. The 6-10 sophomore averaged 2.4 points per game last year in limited action.

"Bob should come into his own this year," Mulligan said. "He was inconsistent last year, but we are really counting on him this year."

Todd Murphy will handle the other forward position. After averaging 8.7 points per game last year, the 6-9½ sophomore has built himself up physically and according to Mulligan, is shooting the ball much better.

Febres, a 6-7 sophomore from Colorado. Febres, despite his lack of experience, is full of talent and will probably start over junior Jim Burglin, Drew said.

A senior and a sophomore will lead the race for the forward positions. Second-year man Lindsay McElmell (6-7) averaged 10.2 points and 4.7 rebounds per game and sophomore Elston Jones (6-7) had a .643 shooting percentage from the floor and .661 from the line.

Also expected to battle for the job is senior Frank Rodriguez (6-7½).

At the post, three newcomers will vie for the starting spot. Junior college transfers David Smith (6-9) and Andre Patterson (6-8), and freshman Victor Richardson (6-8) make up Drew's "inexperienced, but big" middle.

"This is the biggest team we've had in a long time," Drew said. "Even though they're young, they should be able to handle the middle pretty well."

Taking all factors into consideration, Drew expects to finish "anywhere from third to fifth." A pretty hefty as-

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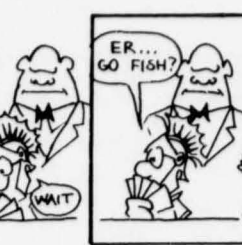
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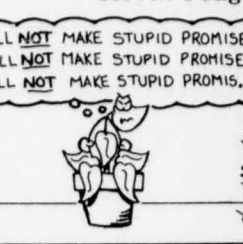
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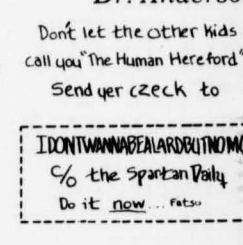
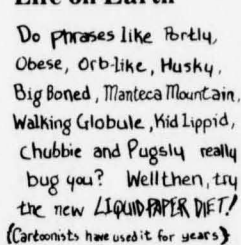
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Economic recovery minimizes California's deficit

By Doug Willis
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO (AP) — Nine months after California teetered on the brink of paying state employees with IOUs, the state has repaid nearly 70 percent of its \$1.5 billion deficit and anticipates a comfortable surplus next year.

The dramatic turnaround is attributed, in about equal parts, to a series of broad budget cuts, a "loophole-closing" package of tax increases and the state's rapid recovery from the recession.

Republican Gov. George Deukmejian, a cautious conservative who succeeded Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown, has also claimed some credit for the recovery.

"California has come a long way from those dark days of red ink in January," Deukmejian told a conference of college officials recently.

"...I am confident that by the end of this fiscal year next June, we will have balanced our budget and paid off the \$1.5 billion deficit we inherited — all without asking the citizens of California to pay higher general taxes," Deukmejian said.

Today, the state's deficit — temporarily financed by

'California has come a long way from those dark days of red ink in January' — George Deukmejian

bank loans — is under \$500 million. Officials expect to pay it off by next spring, and they forecast a surplus of \$444 million in the state's \$26 billion annual budget by the end of the current fiscal year next June 30.

The state's nonpartisan legislative analyst, William Hamm, says cautiously that things will continue to improve in the 1984-85 fiscal year, when he forecasts a year-end surplus — assuming continuation of programs at current levels — of \$1.6 billion.

But the key phrase in Deukmejian's claims of success is his definition of a "general" tax increase.

Citing no-tax-increase promises he made during his 1982 campaign for governor, Deukmejian rejected demands of Democratic leaders of the state Legislature for

either a 1-cent increase in the state's 6-cents-per-dollar sales tax or for major increases in cigarette, liquor and oil taxes.

But Deukmejian did ultimately propose and sign \$430 million in tax increases.

He says he has kept his promise by not raising "general" taxes, and has only adopted "loophole-plugging" measures to make state taxes more equitable. But the loophole provisions in Deukmejian's revenue plan raise one or another tax for nearly every Californian.

For example, the formula for adjusting state income tax brackets for inflation was modified to increase those revenues by \$100 million.

Similarly, the automatic annual reduction in the as-

essed value of each vehicle registered in California — which reduces annual fees as cars get older — was suspended for a year. That raises the license renewal fee of the average motorist by about \$8 to \$10.

The package also repealed state income tax deductions for gasoline taxes; repealed sales tax exemptions for food sold in vending machines and home video tape rentals; reduced tax deductions for medical expenses; and increased the state's share of betting proceeds at California race tracks.

Other major factors reducing the deficit which Brown left Deukmejian in January include a hiring freeze and cutbacks in construction and maintenance, and reductions in annual cost-of-living raises for state employees and welfare recipients.

Finance Director Michael Franchetti, says the 1984-85 budget Deukmejian will submit to the Legislature in January will propose "normal" growth in programs based on workload increases and the cost of living.

"...We're looking at normal growth ... but we are not looking at catch-up. The idea of catch-up, in my recommendations to the governor, just does not exist in any area."

McCarthy favors increase in administration salaries

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over a billion dollar surplus by July 30, 1984. That's not a lot of money and here is why. In a \$26 billion budget you would normally have about \$500 million in contingency reserve. That much money is eaten up in lawsuits and unanticipated costs," he said.

McCarthy added that about \$600 to \$700 million would go to the Hughes-Hart K-12 reform bill passed earlier this year, so "what we hope for is a much stronger economic recovery that will produce a bigger state budget surplus."

If a larger surplus does not become available for education in California, McCarthy said the legislature should enact liquor and cigarette taxes and close tax loopholes to supplement quality education.

McCarthy also commented on the CSU presidents' recent decision to increase administrative salaries.

It is not a salary increase, McCarthy said, but an increase in the ceiling of salaries. The salary range prior to the decision was \$55,000 to \$71,000, and was increased to \$65,000 to \$95,000.

"I very seriously doubt that each campus president is going to be brought up to the ceiling of the range just adopted," he said. "I think the board of trustees specif-

ically will certainly want to look at the overall funding problems of the system, including the faculty salary provisions.

"I think that proposal by Chancellor Reynolds was intended to keep the leadership positions in the CSU system comparable to other state university systems in the country."

Responding to a question about a proposal to do away with student health fees, McCarthy said he would check into it. He said he would be against combining student service fees with general fees "because I see a strong pull towards the use of student fees for general budget purposes."

Business is beginning to realize the importance of education, McCarthy said, but government has to be convinced to increase education spending by substantial amounts.

McCarthy described his and Deukmejian's "mixed political marriage" as "amiable but minimal."

He said he and Deukmejian disagree on many issues, including spending, but "I have chosen to avoid the Mike Curb approach... that engenders public contempt, not public respect."

He is still hopeful he and the governor will be able to work together, McCarthy said.

Actor learns on the stage

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both me at all because my whole life has been like that."

Harrison said he has no formal training, has "learned by doing" and his only influences are a few good directors "who would let a production develop organically as opposed to being really rigid."

He worked the English nightclub circuit for 12 years before he came to the United States in 1965 where he began to work the nightclubs here.

A television role in the unsuccessful "The Girl from U.N.C.L.E." ensued, a job he got after a screen test where he had to "run down some stairs with a gun, kiss a girl, grab her and run out."

He found performing on television different than theater because "you had to develop a technique of memorization in a very short period of time."

"You would get a script at the beginning of the week and after the rewrite and the second rewrite you learn not to learn it," he said.

Other television appearances followed where Harrison learned to develop characters with sometimes as little as 15 minutes rehearsal.

Although his motto is "a working actor is a happy actor," he became frustrated with what he was doing

in the early '70s. At that time, Harrison took a long respite on his farm in Nova Scotia to return to a more basic lifestyle, which included gardening and house-building.

Since his return to the theater, he has toured the United States and Canada as the star of "Sleuth," "Fanny," "Camelot" and most recently "My Fair Lady."

Harrison's advice to young actors is that there is no consistent way actors become successful.

"You can go to Los Angeles and stand in line for cattle calls like everybody else or you can take a different approach," he said. "It's a combination of luck and your own particular ability."

For all of Harrison's different vocations, the only "straight" job he ever took was last year when his money ran out and he got a job as a travelling wine salesman to supermarkets.

Now he is faring better with rave reviews for his role in "My Fair Lady" and a planned one-man show based on the life of playwright Jacques Brel.

His life, for now is stable.

"I always used to argue with my working-class friends that they had an advantage over me, but having a career as an actor has its advantages. You can live in strange places and be eccentric."

Rec Center plans delayed

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One of the presentations made was a marketing report compiled by Lavenhol and Horwath financial consultants. It reported that the REC may lose \$152,000 in operating costs in its first year of existence.

Kate Elliott of the San Francisco-based company made the presentation to the S.U. board.

"You can expect an operating deficit for the first three or four years," Elliott said.

She based her assumptions on an estimated yearly attendance of 206,000 in the first year. That will increase by 40,000 after five years, according to her study.

The Rec Center is scheduled to be completed by 1987.

However, she said that deficit will decline to \$37,000 by the fifth year of operation.

She also said that at least 50 percent of the events that will be scheduled for the Rec Center will be sporting events.

"We have to realize just how rock-bottom conservative these figures are," said Ted Gehrke, Student Union program director. "Just a one percent change in the inflation rate either way could put this into the plus side."

In October 1981, Tony Robinson, Associated Students president at the time, proposed the idea of a Rec Center to the S.U. board of directors.

The Rec Center was approved by 59 percent of SJSU students in the spring elections in 1982.

Students began paying \$10 a semester last fall and will pay \$40 a semester beginning in fall 1984.

The budget now stands at \$14.2 billion for planning and construction, Barrett said.

Construction will begin in spring 1985.

Police report increase in drug seizures

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Unencumbered by search and seizure rules that guide police officers, U.S. Customs officers at Los Angeles International Airport and harbor have more than doubled the amount of drugs seized the previous year.

"There has been a marked increase in both heroin and cocaine (seizures)," said U.S. Customs spokesman Jerome Hollander. Inspectors don't know if there is more smuggling, or their search methods have improved, he said.

Customs officers seized 660 pounds of cocaine from 415 smugglers and 26 pounds of heroin from 32 smugglers at those two locations during fiscal 1983, Customs Service spokesman Jerome Hollander said.

That compares with 291 pounds of cocaine carried by 159 smugglers and 5 pounds of heroin found on 16 people in fiscal year 1982.

While police cannot search a person without "probable cause," customs inspectors only have to be suspicious, Hollander said. They can base their suspicions on a hunch or on confidential profiles of smugglers, he said.

'We look for people . . . who are nervous and whose stories don't make sense'

— Jerome Hollander, U.S. Customs

"We look for people who are aliens from drug source countries, who are nervous and whose stories don't make sense," he said.

Hollander said the profiles of drug smugglers, or "mules" tend to run in cycles: young men, then women, then older people.

'Couriers' cart N-bombs across country

By Robert Macy
The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — The government calls them couriers while CBers use the handle "suicide jockeys." Their cargo is earmarked for distant cities like Moscow and Leningrad, with intermediate stops near hamlets such as Bunceton, Mo. and Rock, Kan.

The elite cadre of heavily-armed, well-trained drivers who deliver America's nuclear weapons in \$800,000 "rolling vaults" are the key to the nation's most expensive and least-known truck line.

The heavily-armed trucks cover some 8 million miles annually, toting missile warheads, nuclear weapons and components to some 125 sites in the 48 contiguous states.

Most shipments begin at Pantex, the Amarillo, Texas plant that is the genesis for America's nuclear weapons. From there the shipments fan out in Safe Secure Trailers (SSTs) or Safe Secure Railcars (SSRs) to military installations and the nation's nuclear testing ground, 70 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

The rigs are driven by heavily-armed, highly-trained truckers who have been given a "Q" clearance, the highest security designation given by the FBI. The trucks are accompanied by escort vehicles containing armed couriers.

Their every move is monitored electronically by the Department of Energy's Safeguards and Security division at Kirkland Air Force Base, Albuquerque, N.M. All of America's nuclear weapons are produced, tested and transported under the direction of the DOE.

"We know where they are, what they're

doing every moment," DOE spokesman David Jackson says of the special shipments. "And we're prepared to respond to any problem."

The DOE spent \$27.3 million last year, hauling what Jackson refers to as "the most uptight cargo in the world."

Some 130 of the 230 employees in the DOE's Transportation Safeguards Division are drivers who haul the world's deadliest cargo for a salary averaging \$25,000 annually.

"If you don't like driving trucks our way — hauling atomic bombs around, shooting guns, strenuous training and keeping in shape — you need not apply," Jackson says.

From the outside, the SSTs resemble a normal 18-wheeler. That's where the similarity ends. These are 55-foot, 27½-ton rolling vaults that are "almost impossible to break into."

"The tractor is armored and bullet-proof," says Jackson. "It has sophisticated communications equipment that allows us to keep track of a shipment at all times. And the trailer has a number of systems that deny entry. Unless you have the combination and do everything right, you don't get in. There are systems to disable the truck so it can't be moved."

"The trucks are so sturdy that in the event of a really severe accident, such as rolling down a cliff, the interior cargo would be well-protected," Jackson says. "The weapons are tied down in special containers and can't be armed. A nuclear detonation is virtually impossible."

The containers are designed for "worst-case" catastrophes, and must pass a punishing series of tests such as fire, immersion and free fall. The cargo must emerge tied down and in place after simulated 60 mph head-on crashes.

"If you drive 8 million miles a year, you're going to have blowouts, breakdowns, drunken drivers plowing into you," adds Jackson. "But we've never had an accident in which the contents posed a threat to the drivers or the public."

"Any nuclear device contains conventional high explosives and it's unlikely these would go in an accident. If under the most incredible circumstances you could imagine you had an accident in which you had an explosion, there still would be no nuclear detonation."

Jackson says the DOE cargo is safer than many trucks carrying propane or toxic chemicals.

The first SSTs were developed in the early 1970s in response to worldwide terrorism threats.

Schedules, destinations and routes are not announced in advance. Even local police departments are not aware of shipments, although state police officials are informed.

Couriers are trained in the use of .357 magnums, M-16 rifles, submachine guns, grenade launchers, shotguns and sniper rifles with infrared scopes for night action.

Driver training includes surprises such as a helicopter attack, light-armored-vehicle assault, anti-tank rockets and blockades. Physical training includes hand-to-hand combat.

One woman is included among the drivers, who are mainly armed forces veterans. Their eight-week training period includes not only a strict physical regimen, but also training in areas such as radiation monitoring.

Most shipments include a driver, a driver riding "shotgun" and a relief courier. As many as seven others may be riding in escort vehicles that keep the truck continually in sight.

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East Germans object to visa questionnaire

LOS ANGELES (AP) — East German Olympic officials are angry about the wording of visa applications that lump Communist Party membership with heinous crimes and contagious diseases.

East Germans sent a sharply worded protest over the questionnaire to Peter V. Ueberroth, president of the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee, the Los Angeles Times reported Thursday.

Ueberroth promised to inquire about the document and suggested that at least its structure might be rearranged, the

newspaper reported.

The State Department questionnaire lists membership in the Communist Party in the same category as the commission of a heinous crime, drug addiction or the carrying of a contagious disease. All are reasons why a person can be denied a visa.

The questionnaire asks applicants to mark "yes" or "no" as to whether any of the items apply to them.

It also asks them to explain the circumstances regarding any item marked "yes."